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SUBJECT: PRESS SUMMARY, JULY 21

1. NYT (PAGE 1) "SOYUZ PREPARING TO RETURN TODAY; APOLLO DOES TESTS," DATELINED HOUSTON. (OTHER PAPERS ALSO CONTINUE COVERAGE OF EVENT.)

2. NYT (PAGE 3) "ROAD TO HELSINKI: MOSCOW HUNG ON, SACRIFICED SOME, WON MOST GOALS," BY CHRISTOPHER WREN, A NEWS ANALYSIS. SOVIETS SOUGHT RATIFICATION OF EUROPE'S POSTWAR BOUNDARIES AND GUARANTEES OF NON-INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE SOVIET BLOC. WEST EUROPEANS PRESSED FOR CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURES AND FREER MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE AND IDEAS. WEST GERMANS WANTED TO RETAIN RIGHT OF PEACEFUL CHANGE OF FRONTIERS. SOME SOVIET CONCESSIONS ON HUMAN RIGHTS, BUT THIS, LIKE REST OF STATEMENT, NOT LEGALLY BINDING. SOVIETS GENERALLY PLEASED WITH OUTCOME. (ADDITIONAL STORY, SAME PAGE, DATELINED GENEVA, HEADLINED "WEST, AT SECURITY CONFERENCE, REJECTS SOVIET TRADE DEMANDS." (ALSO CSM)

3. NYT EDITORIAL PAGE "EUROPEAN SECURITY ... AND REAL UNCLASSIFIED

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DETENTE." HELSINKI CARNIVAL, LIKE THE US-SOVIET HAND-

CLASP IN SPACE, COULD MISLEAD MANY INTO BELIEVING THAT
PEACE HAS ALREADY ARRIVED. EVERY EFFORT MUST BE MADE,

PUBLICLY AND PRIVATELY, TO PREVENT EUPHORIA IN THE WEST.

4. NYT EDITORIAL "MOSCOW'S NEED FOR GRAIN". SOVIETS
OUGHT TO BE WILLING TO CONCLUDE LONG-TERM TRADE AGREE-
MENTS WITH U.S., STOCKPILING GRAIN WHEN NECESSARY,
RATHER THAN ENTERING MARKET CAPRICIOUSLY, PURCHASING
HEAVILY ONE YEAR AND NONE IN OTHER YEARS. ALSO SOVIETS
SHOULD COOPERATE IN OPPOSING RAW MATERIAL CARTELS.

5. WP - EVANS AND NOVAK COLUMN CITES CLASSIFIED
CABLES FROM MOSCOW REPORTING ON RECENT CODEL SUPPORT-
ING THE VIEW THAT THE SOVIETS WERE COOL AND EVASIVE
ON IDEA OF NEGOTIATING NEUTRALIZATION OF INDIAN OCEAN.
ARGUES SENATORS CULVER AND HART HAVE BEEN MISLEADING
THEIR COLLEAGUES AS TO SOVIET ATTITUDE; ALLEGED
PASSAGES FROM EMBASSY CABLES QUOTED. KISSINGER

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